

1 can get this Constitution passed, since the census takers  
2 are delayed about two years, after 1980 we don't know what  
3 the situation will be. But at least it will for 14 years  
4 allow this Constitution to work.

5 If at the end of 14 years there is some desire  
6 to amend it because the House of Delegates is unworkable  
7 in size, it can be done.

8 But unless you give something at this point that  
9 those of us who have to carry the load of this Constitution  
10 in areas where you are asking the people to disenfranchise  
11 themselves, unless you give us something to work with and  
12 give us a chance to prove this Constitution is good, you  
13 are giving us an almost impossible burden to try to sell to  
14 our people.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: Any other delegate desire to  
16 speak in opposition to the amendment?

17 Delegate Carson.

18 DELEGATE CARSON: Mr. Chairman, as I understand  
19 it, the proponents of this amendment would say that it  
20 would permit some time for the small counties to phase  
21 out their General Assembly representation. I suggest that